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Department of Transportation Announces Positions to be Relocated to Ketchikan

(Juneau)—In a staff meeting this morning, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) Commissioner Mike Barton provided employees with the best estimate of which Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS) positions will be relocated to State facilities in Ketchikan. Approximately 42 positions under vessel operations management, marine engineering and marine vessel operations are scheduled for relocation.

To assure that there is minimal impact to the system's operations and the traveling public and to assure sensitivity to the needs of AMHS employees, an implementation team has been formed to provide recommendations for consideration by Commissioner Barton and Tom Briggs, Deputy Commissioner/Director of AMHS Marine Operations. The team will also provide general oversight of administrative issues related to the move.

The 8-member team represents a variety of divisions within DOT, including the AMHS and a representative from the Department of Administration, to ensure that appropriate expertise is used to make recommendations and that representation by impacted staff is part of the process. The team will draw upon the expertise of others within DOT and from other agencies as the need arises.

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